

4VAC15-20-250 (New)
Definitions and Miscellaneous: In General: Definitions; “Elk Management Zone”

Summary:

The proposal is to define the Elk Management Zone in Virginia.

Proposed language of the amendment:

4VAC15-20-250. Definitions; “Elk Management Zone”

Whenever the words "Elk Management Zone," or language equivalent to that, appear in a regulation of the Board, such words shall apply to the following counties and cities and towns therein:

Buchanan

Dickenson

Wise

Rationale:

The Elk Management Zone (EMZ) is defined in the 2019-2028 Virginia Elk Management Plan that was endorsed by the Board of Wildlife Resources in March of 2019. The designation of the EMZ (i.e. Wise, Dickenson, and Buchanan Counties) serves to help guide the Department’s management strategies and actions related to elk throughout Virginia. As outlined in the Elk Management Plan, the Department will manage elk to maintain a healthy and viable population within the EMZ. The proposal will define the counties that are within the EMZ and facilitate its use in other regulations.